note or what may be due on them, and the surplus of the estate. The remainder if any, being to the aforesaid B. W. Barnes or his legal representative.

Benjamin W. Barnes (Seal)

State of Virginia }
Southampton County } to wit:

This day personally appeared before me, W. A. Butler a justice of the Peace for the County and State aforesaid, Benjamin W. Barnes whose name is signed to the writing above bearing date March 16th 1874 and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed.

W. A. Butler J. P.

Southampton County, Set. Clerk's Office, March 16th 1874.
This Deed of Trust from Benjamin W. Barnes to R. A. Pretlow trustee, for the benefit of R. J. Williams was this day received and with the certificate thereto annexed, admitted to record.

Test. J. R. Edwards Clk.

This Indenture made this March 21st 1874 the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy four between William A. Joyner and Sarah A. Joyner his wife of the County of Southampton and State of Virginia of the first part and Richard Joyner Clk of the same County and State first above written of the second part. Witnesseth that the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of seven hundred and twenty five dollars to them paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do bargain sell and convey unto the said party of the second part and his heirs and assigns, the following described tract or parcel of land containing one hundred and ninety acres more or less and bounded as follows: And is bounded by the George James tract of land now owned by B. F. Harrison also by a portion of Wm. A. Joyner and the tract by Thos. Rutledge and the South by the North Carolina State line and the West by Benjamin A. Barnes land formerly known as the Sister Fields or Sister Branch. Together with all and singular the tenements hereto belonging or in anywise appertaining, reversions and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents and issues and profits thereof and also all the estate, right, title and interest, to have and to hold all and singular the above mentioned and described premises unto the said party of the second part and his heirs and assigns forever, and the said parties of the first part hereby expressly waive, release and relinquish unto the said party of the second part, all right, title and interest whatsoever in the above described premises which is given by or results from all laws of this State pertaining to the exemption of homesteads. And the said parties of the first part for themselves and their heirs executors and administrators do hereby covenant promise and agree to and with the parties of the second part his heirs and assigns that the said premises against the claim of all persons claiming through or under them only they will warrant and defend. In witness whereof the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Executed & delivered to J. W. Harris for Richard Joyner

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of }

William A. Joyner (Seal)
Sarah A. Joyner (Seal)

State of Virginia County of Southampton, to wit:
I, Wm. A. Butler a Notary Public for the County aforesaid in the State of Virginia do certify that Wm. A. Joyner whose name is signed to the writing hereto annexed, bearing date March 21st 1874 has acknowledged the same before me in my County aforesaid. And I do further certify that Sarah A. Joyner the wife said Wm. A. Joyner whose name is likewise signed to the writing hereto annexed bearing date as aforesaid, personally appeared before me in my County aforesaid and being examined by me privily and apart from her husband was shewing the writing aforesaid fully explained to her, she said Sarah A. Joyner acknowledged the said writing to be her act and declared that she had willingly executed the same and does not wish to retract it.